

**Bills and Resolves, Concluded
The General Assembly**

TWENTIETH DAY.

SENATE.

WEDNESDAY, January 26.

On motion of Newland, the unfinished business was passed over in order that Senate bill 209, House bill 235, might be taken up. The bill is to incorporate the North State Mining Company. Explained by Newland, and passed its second and third readings.

Upon motion of Newland, Senate bill 244, to incorporate the Marion, Rutherford and Tennessee Railroad Company, was put upon its several readings. The amendment of the committee was accepted. Explained by Newland, and passed its third reading.

The unfinished business was taken up. The question before the Senate was upon Staples' motion to indefinitely postpone the consideration of Dorch's bill in regard to a tax on persons engaged in hiring persons to leave the State.

The question was discussed at length. Davidson moved to call the previous question on Staples' motion to indefinitely postpone.

Worrell moved to reconsider the vote by which the counties west of the Blue Ridge were excluded from the provisions of the bill. On the call for the previous question the yeas and nays were called. The further consideration of the bill was indefinitely postponed—yeas 34 nays 18.

Such was the disposition of a bill which caused an unusual amount of discussion and interest.

Senate bill 87, to prevent desecration of and disturbance on the Sabbath day, was reported on adversely by the committee. The bill failed to pass.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Petitions were presented as follows:

Boykin—From citizens of Sampson county, asking that prohibition be submitted to the people.

Green, of Orange—Three, asking the establishment of the county of Durham, one of them containing five hundred names.

Smedes—From citizens of Wake and Orange counties, against the formation of the county of Durham.

Waddell—From citizens concerning sheriff's fees.

Bills were introduced and referred as follows:

White—in relation to public schools. Education.

Day—to regulate continuances in civil and criminal courts. Judiciary.

Simpson—with regard to the navigation of Hatteras.

King—to ascertain what funds have been paid to the county treasurers by justices of the peace.

On motion of Mr. Joyner, the calendar was placed at the disposal of the Speaker, Manning, in the chair. Bills were taken up and disposed of as follows:

House bill to prevent the exportation of timber from the State. The committee reported unfavorably on this bill and it was tabled.

House bill to prevent justices of the peace from trying process issued by themselves was, on motion of Nicholson, re-committed to judiciary committee.

House bill to furnish the Roxboro Railroad with not less than one hundred convicts on application of the authorities of the road passed its second reading and was then put on its third reading and passed.

House bill to extend the time to redeem land sold for taxes was reported unfavorably on by the committee, and on motion of Bradshaw, it was tabled.

A resolution of instruction to our members of Congress with regard to a survey of Oregon Inlet, in Dare county, was put on its several readings and passed.

House resolution asking our members of Congress to use their influence to have the beacon and lighthouse at Cape Hatteras reestablished was, on motion of Blasdell, re-committed to the committee.

Senate resolution 207, with regard to the repeal of the tax on brandy distilled from fruit, passed its several readings.

At 15 minutes to 1 o'clock the chair announced the calendar exhausted, and the House adjourned.

IN CONGRESS YESTERDAY.

SENATE.

WASHINGTON, January 27th, 1881.—Bills were introduced to establish a uniform system of bankruptcy; to provide for the payment of part of the interest on the sum of \$250,000 under the treaty of 1856 to the Seminole Indians.

Mr Beck addressed the Senate for an hour in advocacy of free ships, taking as his text his resolution submitted Monday for the repeal of all laws prohibiting our citizens from purchasing ships to engage in the foreign carrying trade or which prevent registration of them as American ships, when owned, commanded and officered by United States citizens. He entered into an elaborate discussion of the tariff with its inequalities of protection and its practical operation in fostering monopolies at the expense of the poor man. Incidentally digressing in this connection to notice the estimate of the Commissioner of Pensions that \$500,000,000 would be required to meet the expenses of the pension act, he said the pension act, which he was fortunate in having voted against, would prove a heavier tax and a more enduring burden than the national debt.

Mr. Blaine followed, in reply to Mr. Beck, and after further remarks in opposition to Mr. Beck's resolution by Mr. Merrill, the resolution was laid on the table, and the Senate took up and passed the Naval appropriation bill as amended by the Senate committee.

Bills were also passed as follows: To authorize the Secretary of War to grant the use of certain land at Fortress Monroe, Va., for the erection of a hotel, and to divide the State of Louisiana into two judicial districts.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.
WASHINGTON, Jan. 27.—Mr. "Mercy,

of Mississippi, from the committee on Postoffices and Post-roads, reported the Post Route bill. Ordered to be printed and recommitted.

The North Carolina election case was then taken up, and Mr. Speer argued in favor of the contestant, Yeates.

Mr. Field, of Massachusetts, spoke in support of the claims of Martin Keifer, of Ohio, also presented the case of Contestee Martin, and at the conclusion of his speech warned the Democratic party that if it did not place the seal of disapproval upon such practices as had been resorted to in this case, the day was coming when it would be swept from the Halls of Congress by the American people.

Mr. Russell, of North Carolina, also warned the Democratic party that if the reasonings of the committee on Elections were adopted some fifteen or twenty gentlemen from the South in the next Congress would walk out some morning and give place to men who had been counted in whether elected or not.

At the conclusion of Mr. Russell's speech Mr. Springer, of Illinois, demanded the previous question, and the Republicans refusing to vote the House was left without a quorum. The House then, at 5 o'clock, adjourned.

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COMMERCIAL NEWS

WILMINGTON, JANUARY 28.—4 P.M.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE.—Quoted dull at 25¢ cents. Later we hear of sales \$50 casks at these figures.

MINERAL OIL.—Quoted firm at \$1 37½ for strained and \$1 40 for Good Strained. Sales \$6 bbls. Good strained at quotations.

TAR.—Quoted steady at \$1 40 per bbl of 250 lbs.

QUINDE TURPENTINE.—Quoted firm at \$1 20 for Hard and \$1 00 for Yellow Dip.

COTTON.—Quoted dull. Sales 75 bales on a basis of 11½ cents and 125 bales on a basis of 11½ cents for bidding.

The following are the official quotations:

Ordinary	7½ Cents
Good Ordinary	9 13-16 "
Low Middling	10 1/4 "

DATES.—Quoted dull.

COCONUT OIL.—Quoted dull at 10¢ cents.

DATE SUGAR.—Quoted dull at 10¢ cents.

DATE JUICE.—Quoted dull at 10¢ cents.